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SUBJECT: A/S MOOSE MEETS WITH RWANDAN PM-DESIGNATE

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. SUMMARY. IN A MEETING WITH A/S MOOSE ON JUNE 17,  
 VISITING RWANDAN PRIME MINISTER-DESIGNATE FAUSTIN  
 TWAGIRAMUNGU SAID HE DID NOT FORESEE A MILITARY SOLUTION  
 TO RWANDA'S PROBLEMS; RATHER, THE SOLUTION WAS TO INSTALL  
 A BROAD-BASED TRANSITION GOVERNMENT, AS ENVISIONED IN THE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
 REVIEW AUTHORITY: ARCHIE M BOLSTER  
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ARUSHA ACCORD. CITING FRANCE'S HISTORY IN RWANDA, HE  
EXPRESSED CONCERNS ABOUT THE FRENCH INTERVENTION  
PROPOSAL. A/S MOOSE AGREED WITH TWAGIRAMUNGU'S POLITICAL  
ANALYSIS AND EXPLAINED THAT THE U.S. SUPPORTED THE FRENCH  
PROPOSAL BECAUSE IT OFFERED A QUICK MEANS TO HELP PROTECT  
CIVILIANS UNTIL EXPANDED UNAMIR FORCES ARRIVE. END  
SUMMARY

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3. TWAGIRAMUNGU WAS ON A BRIEF VISIT TO THE U.S. AND WAS  
ACCOMPANIED BY MARC RUGENERA, FINANCE MINISTER IN THE  
PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT AND MEMBER OF ONE OF THE HUTU  
OPPOSITION PARTIES, THE PSD, AND JEAN-MARIE VINNEY  
NDAGIJIMANA, RWANDA'S AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, WHO IS NO  
LONGER ACCEPTED BY THE NEW INTERIM GOVERNMENT. DAS  
BUSHNELL, AF/C DIRECTOR RENDER AND DESKOFF AISTON ALSO  
PARTICIPATED IN THE MEETING.

MILITARY SOLUTION REJECTED

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4. TWAGIRAMUNGU SAID HE REPRESENTED DEMOCRATIC FORCES IN  
RWANDA AND STRESSED THAT THE RPF AND THE MRND/CDR ARE NOT  
THE ONLY FORCES IN THE COUNTRY. HE ASKED FOR U.S.  
SUPPORT FOR THE "SILENT MAJORITY" IN RWANDA, WHICH HE AND  
THE OTHER OPPOSITION LEADERS REPRESENTED.

5. HE AND HIS SUPPORTERS AND COLLEAGUES DO NOT FORESEE A  
MILITARY SOLUTION TO THE CURRENT CONFLICT. THEY SEE A  
NEED FOR CONFIDENCE BUILDING AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION  
AND WANT THE U.S. TO HELP RWANDANS INSTALL A BROAD-BASED  
TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT, AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE ARUSHA  
ACCORD. HE DISMISSED THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT AS A  
GOVERNMENT OF ASSASSINS WHO DO NOT REPRESENT THE PEOPLE.  
HOWEVER, HE SAID THERE ARE MODERATE ELEMENTS IN THE MRND  
AND HE WAS NOT CALLING FOR TOTAL EXCLUSION OF THE MRND  
FROM THE TRANSITION GOVERNMENT.

6. TWAGIRAMUNGU OUTLINED THREE ALTERNATIVE SCENARIOS FOR  
RESOLVING THE CRISIS AND REJECTED ALL THREE. FIRST, A  
VICTORY BY THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT FORCES WAS UNACCEPTABLE  
BECAUSE IT WOULD RATIFY ALL THE EVIL ACTS THAT HAVE BEEN  
DONE. SECOND, WHILE HE WAS NOT AGAINST AN RPF VICTORY,  
HE QUESTIONED WHETHER THE CONFLICT WOULD REALLY END AND  
SAID NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WOULD STILL BE REQUIRED.

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THIRD, HE REJECTED DIVISION OF THE COUNTRY, SAYING IT  
WOULD NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM AND WOULD LEAD TO GUERRILLA  
WARFARE.

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7. A/S MOOSE AGREED WITH TWAGIRAMUNGU'S ANALYSIS. HE  
ASSURED HIM THAT WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF DOING ANYTHING  
THAT WOULD KEEP THE INTERIM GOVERNMENT IN PLACE. WE  
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SUPPORTED THE UNHRC SPECIAL SESSION AND SPECIAL  
RAPPORTEUR, WANTED TO SEE FULL ACCOUNTABILITY, AND AGREED  
THAT THOSE INVOLVED IN THE MASSACRES SHOULD NOT BE  
ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEW GOVERNMENT. HE SAID  
THE U.S. SHARES THE BELIEF THAT THE RPF CANNOT GOVERN  
ALONE AND NOTED THAT WE DID NOT SUPPORT DIVISION OF THE  
COUNTRY.

CONCERNS ABOUT FRENCH PROPOSAL

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8. TWAGIRAMUNGU SAID HE WAS OPPOSED TO INTERVENTION FROM  
ANY FOREIGN POWER.

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IF THE FRENCH WANT TO HELP, TWAGIRAMUNGU  
SUGGESTED THEY DO WHAT THE U.S. IS DOING -- PROVIDE  
LOGISTICS AND EQUIPMENT TO SPEED UP DEPLOYMENT OF THE  
AFRICAN CONTINGENTS OF EXPANDED UNAMIR.

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HE  
EXPLAINED TO THE PRIME MINISTER-DESIGNATE THAT THE  
INITIATIVE WOULD BE AN INTERNATIONAL EFFORT UNDER UN  
AUSPICES WITH THE SAME MISSION AS EXPANDED UNAMIR -- TO  
HELP PROTECT CIVILIAN POPULATIONS. THERE WAS AN URGENT  
NEED FOR A HUMANITARIAN INTERVENTION TO STOP THE  
KILLINGS, AND THE FRENCH PROPOSAL WOULD ALLOW THAT EFFORT  
TO START RIGHT AWAY, PENDING ARRIVAL OF EXPANDED UNAMIR.  
FOR THIS REASON, WE SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL, BUT WANT TO SEE  
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THE OPERATION HAVE UN BLESSING AND BROAD PARTICIPATION. THE MISSION HAD TO BE CLEARLY EXPLAINED TO THE RPF AND RWANDA'S NEIGHBORS AND THEIR APPROVAL SOUGHT. THE MISSION CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO HAVE THE EFFECT OF PROTECTING THOSE INVOLVED IN THE KILLINGS.

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(NOTE: PRESS REPORTS THIS WEEK QUOTE TWAGIRAMUNGU AS STILL OPPOSED TO THE FRENCH PROPOSAL.)

IS RECONCILIATION POSSIBLE?

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10. DAS BUSHNELL ASKED HOW RWANDANS COULD ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AFTER ALL THAT HAS HAPPENED. TWAGIRAMUNGU REPLIED THAT SECURITY MEASURES WOULD HAVE TO BE PUT IN PLACE AND SUGGESTED THAT AN INTERNATIONAL FORCE MIGHT ASSURE THE NECESSARY SECURITY. HE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF BRINGING TO JUSTICE THOSE WHO PLANNED AND INCITED THE KILLINGS. HE SAW THE LEADERS OF THE VIOLENCE AS THE REAL CRIMINALS, NOT THE UNEMPLOYED YOUTH WHOM THEY INCITED AND USED TO DO MUCH OF THE KILLING. HE BELIEVED THAT SOME INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL WOULD BE NECESSARY.

11. BUJUMBURA - MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.  
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